

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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(INCLUDING FILING FEE AND/OR PETITION FOR
EXTENSION OF TIME FEE)

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OFFICE OF PETITIONS

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. §132, effective May 29, 2000
provides for continued examination of a utility or plant application
filed on or after June 8, 1995.
See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA)

To:	Commissioner for Patents Box RCE PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	Attorney Docket No.:1046.1206
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First Named Inventor	Satoshi KUROYANAGI, et al.		
Application No.	09/467,972	Group Art Unit	2633
Filing Date	December 21, 1999	Examiner	Reza Sedighian
CPA Filing Date			
Title of Invention	OPTICAL PATH CROSSCONNECT SYSTEM WITH HIGH EXPANDING CHARACTERISTIC		

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

1.

Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 (Box a or b must be completed)

- a. Previously submitted
 - i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
 - ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - iii. Other
- b. Enclosed
 - i. Amendment/Reply
 - ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - iv. Other : Petition to Withdraw from Issue

2.

Miscellaneous

- a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required).
- b. Other _____

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Date Sept. 14, 2004

	BASIC FEE	\$	770.00
Since an Official Action set an <u>original</u> due date of ___, petition is hereby made for an extension of time to cover the date this RCE is filed, for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$110); 2 months (\$420); 3 months (\$950); 4 months (\$1,480); 5 months (\$2,010)): _____			
Petition to Withdraw Fee (\$130.00)			130.00
Total of above Calculations =		\$	900.00
Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (Note 37 C.F.R. 1.9, 1.27, 1.28).			
TOTAL FEES DUE =		\$	900.00
4. <input type="checkbox"/> Small entity status: a. <input type="checkbox"/> Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status. b. <input type="checkbox"/> A Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status was previously filed and such status is still proper and desired. c. <input type="checkbox"/> is no longer claimed.			
5. <input type="checkbox"/> Other:			

6. METHOD OF PAYMENT

- A check in the amount of \$ 900.00 is enclosed.
 Charge "TOTAL FEES DUE" to Deposit Account No. 19-3935. (A duplicate copy of this form is enclosed.)

7. GENERAL AUTHORIZATION

- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 (filing fees) or 37 C.F.R. 1.17 (processing fees) during the prosecution of this application and of any related application(s) claiming benefit hereof pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §120 to maintain pendency hereof and of any such related application to:
 Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

8. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS

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9. SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OR AGENT REQUIRED

NAME	Gene M. Garner II	REGISTRATION NO.	34,172
SIGNATURE		DATE	Sept. 14, 2004

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